

June 1, 2006

**TO:** All Washington State Fire Departments

**FROM:** Acting State Fire Marshal Michael G. Matlick

**SUBJECT:** Fireworks-Related Injuries and Fires

The Office of the State Fire Marshal is asking for your cooperation in collecting detailed information on fireworks-related injuries and fires.

Please copy the enclosed *Fireworks Fire/Injury Report*, and complete one form for each fireworks-related incident. Return completed forms by August 1, 2006, by fax to: (360)570-3136; by e-mail to [karen.jones@wsp.wa.gov](mailto:karen.jones@wsp.wa.gov), or mail to the address on the bottom of the form. The form and fireworks device identification are available on-line at <http://www.wsp.wa.gov/fireworks/datacoll.htm>.

Departments that currently report to the National Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) can now check a section on the form and we will retrieve their fireworks-related incidents from NFIRS. Enclosed is an NFIRS coding page showing the NFIRS codes that can be used to document a fireworks-related incident.

The information received in 2005 has been compiled into a report and is available on line at <http://www.wsp.wa.gov/fireworks/mediakit/statistics.htm>. Please contact Deputy State Fire Marshal Karen S. Jones, Fire Protection Bureau, at (360) 753-0435 for campaign materials listed below:

- Celebrate Safely CD
- Education/Enforcement Campaign Kit
- Packages of 100 flyers
- Children's Activity Books

Your participation is important in keeping citizens safe during Independence Day celebrations.

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Enclosures